

From DUQUE - 20 June 1961

[THOMAS HEWITT] 03

Dear Cmdr

My greatest desire is that when you receive this note that you are in good health. I received your letter and answered it right away; in fact the political and revolutionary situation of the Cubans here is extremely bad. There are people who want to benefit from the tears of the Cubans, but we who are ready to shed the last drop cannot cross our arms. That is how we Cubans feel who love our country. Therefore we want to be at your side to face all victories and defeats, because we are your friends. We do not ever deny today or in the future that we are your friends who will fight at your side until death or see our country freed from Communism which debases it today.

I believe that it is in your hands to get us where you are by any means available. So far as Mario and Prisciliano are concerned I will tell you that they have still not left the Embassy. Although they were given safe conduct they refused in the last minute. I have already taken my visa application to the Embassy but this takes a long time. I think you can get us out quickly if you make the necessary effort. I hope that in your next letter that ISAIAS and my transfer had been arranged for next week. Alright Cmdr, we'll not bother you further.

Dr. Eusebio FERNANDEZ

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